

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please delete the Title --ANALYTIC PLATE WITH CONTAINMENT BORDER  
AND METHOD-- and replace as follows:

APPLICATOR DEVICE FOR USE WITH AN ANALYTIC PLATE

Please replace the paragraph [0031] with the following rewritten paragraph:

**[0031]** As is evident from the above, each slide contemplated herein has only a portion of the its surface thereof coated with having a coating made from the coating material, with the specific purpose for retaining a ~~liquid or liquid~~ biological sample upon a discrete and predetermined portion of the slide.